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Filing Date	April 20, 2001
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Art Unit	3635
Examiner Name	Kevin McDermott
Attorney Docket Number	746

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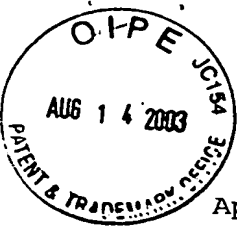
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COMMUNICATION IN RESPONSE TO JULY 11, 2003 OFFICE ACTION

This Communication is submitted in response to the July 11, 2003 Office Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the July 11, 2003 Office Action was due August 11, 2003. Accordingly, this amendment is being timely filed.

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REMARK

Claims 1-12 are pending in this application. The Examiner to whom this application has been assigned indicated that the Office Action was "Responsive to communication(s) filed on 15 April 2003." in the Office Action Summary mailed on July 11,

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2003. Actually, Applicants filed an Amendment in Connection With November 4, 2002 Office Action and Petition for Three-Month Extension of Time on May 5, 2003 and is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**. In the May 5, 2003 Amendment, Applicants submitted an amended claim 1.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner reconsider the Amendment filed May 5, 2003 and withdraw various grounds of objections and rejections in the July 11, 2003 Office Action and earnestly request the Examiner place this application in conditions of allowance.

If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, Applicants' undersigned attorney invites the Examiner to telephone him at the number provided below.

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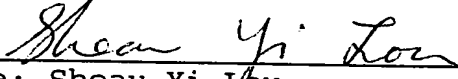
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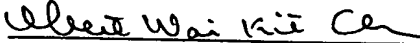
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